Page 2, line 22, before "60°" insert --approximately--.

Page 6, between lines 13 and 14, insert -Brief Description Of The Drawings--; line 14, delete "advantageous embodiments" and insert --features--; line 15, delete "can be inferred" and insert --will be apparent--; same line, after "description," insert --taken with--; line 16, delete "and the claims." and insert --in which:--; delete lines 17-19.

Page 7, between lines 6 and 7, insert --Description Of The Preferred Embodiments--.

Page 8, line 17, after "bottom" insert --9--.

Page 14, delete lines 9-12 and insert the following paragraph:

--The foregoing relates to preferred exemplary embodiments of the invention, it being understood that other embodiments and variants thereof are possible within the spirit and scope of the invention, the latter being defined by the appended claims.--.

Page 15, line 1, delete "Claims" and insert -- I Claim--.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-17 and add new claims 18-47.

18. In an injection nozzle (1) for internal combustion engines, which has at least one injection orifice (3), a nozzle needle seat (4), and a nozzle needle (5), the improvement wherein the end of the nozzle needle (5) oriented toward the nozzle needle seat (4) has an annular groove (8).